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OF DATA TYPES

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

This paper is responsive to the final Office action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 25, 2005, in the above-identified patent application.

Applicants respectfully request that the remarks that follow be considered, and that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102(e) and 103(a) made in the Office action be withdrawn. Applicants further request that the rejections under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting be withdrawn in light of the executed Terminal Disclaimer, attached herewith.

Applicants submit a Petition for an Extension of Time of one month, up to and including December 25, 2005, and the fee associated therewith. Any other fees necessary for the entry and consideration of this paper should be charged to Deposit Account No. 07-1700.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.